Determining the next step for your child after high school graduation can be difficult for both parents and students alike. Simply navigating the admissions and student financial aid process can make an already anxious situation even more complicated. As a father of four children, Gus understands how stressful this time can be, but examining your options early on can ensure that your child receives the opportunity and quality education he or she deserves.

That is why Gus encourages you and your child to attend the Hillsborough County College Fair he is hosting in conjunction with the Hillsborough County Public School system. The event will act as a one-stop shop for students and parents to learn more about financial aid resources, the college admissions process, and to speak with school representatives face-to-face.

The college fair will feature representatives from regional colleges, local career education and technical training schools, and military service academies. In addition, the fair will include breakout sessions with admissions officers from the University of Florida, financial aid experts from the University of South Florida, and representatives from the service academies.

The Hillsborough County College Fair will be held on Tuesday, April 19, 2011, at Strawb erry Crest High School

located at 4691 Gallagher Road, Dover, Florida 33527 (Just off Intestate 4, Exit 14). The College Fair will be held in the cafeteria from 6-8 p.m. with breakout sessions throughout the evening.

This is an exciting time for you and your child, and Gus hopes this forum will help you learn more about planning, saving and paying for college. To RSVP, please contact the Plant City District Office at (813) 752-9849.

Schools and institutions in attendance will include: United States Military Academy

United States Naval Academy

United States Air Force Academy

United States Coast Guard Academy

United States Merchant Marine Academy

University of Florida

University of South Florida

University of Central Florida
University of Tampa
University of Miami
Florida Southern College
Florida International University
Florida Gulf Coast University
Hillsborough Community College
Pasco-Hernando Community College
Hillsborough Technical Education Centers (HiTEC)
Keiser Career College
Rasmussen College
Nova Southeastern University